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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-A refrigerant refill amount calculating apparatus comprising: a concentration measuring unit which measures component ratios of a mixed refrigerant contained in a refrigerating machine; and

a calculation processing unit which calculates refill amounts of respective refrigerant components which are required to fill a mixed refrigerant having a defined amount in defined component ratios into the refrigerating machine based upon an amount of a refrigerant component which has been additionally filled into the refrigerating machine, and also, a change amount of component ratios which have been measured before and after the refrigerant component was filled.

2. (ORIGINAL) A refrigerant refill amount calculating apparatus as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

an output unit for instructing the refill amounts of the refrigerant components calculated in said calculation processing unit.

3. (ORIGINAL) A refrigerant refill amount calculating apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said concentration measuring unit includes:

a measuring cell into which the mixed refrigerant is conducted; an infrared light source irradiating infrared rays to said measuring cell; and AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 Application Number 10/665,434

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a detecting unit detecting infrared rays which has passed through said measuring cell.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An A refrigerant refill amount calculating method comprising the steps of:

measuring refrigerant component ratios of a mixed refrigerant, having a plurality of refrigerant components, filled into a refrigerating machine, wherein said measurement is based upon an amount of at least one of said refrigerant components which has been filled into the refrigerating machine and a change amount of said component ratios, wherein said change amount of said component ratios is calculated based on a measurement of said component ratios prior to and after said at least one refrigerant component has been filled;

refilling <u>aan</u> <u>small</u>-amount of <u>said</u> refrigerant components;

measuring again <u>the</u> refrigerant component ratios of <u>a-said</u> mixed refrigerant; and

calculating <u>a-refill</u> amounts of <u>respective-said</u> refrigerant components which is required to

fill <u>said refrigerating machine so that said a-mixed refrigerant having has a defined amount in</u>

defined refrigerant component ratios into said refrigerating machine.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-A refrigerant refill amount calculating method as claimed in claim 4 wherein infrared rays are caused to pass through said mixed refrigerant, and then, penetrated infrared rays are detected so as to obtain the refrigerant component ratios of said mixed refrigerant.

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